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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	EXAMINING BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND ATHLETICS TRAINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , First floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	February 28, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Laura Schmitt, Chairperson, Professional Member
W. Wayne Woodzell, Vice-Chairperson, Professional Member
Julie Knowles, Secretary, Professional Member
Amy Blansfield, Professional Member (5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.)
Jeffrey Schneider, Professional Member
Tyler Luff, Public Member
Waheedah Shabazz, Public Member
Damien McGovern, Professional Member

MEMBER ABSENT

Cheryl Fruchtman, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General
Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Schmitt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Mr. McGovern was welcomed to the Board.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 6, 2011 meeting. Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion: Proposed Revisions to the Statute

A discussion was held concerning proposed revisions to the statute. Ms. Heeney reported that the chaperone requirements will be a Division of Professional Regulation sponsored bill. She also reported that she has not heard back from Mr. Collins regarding the Board issuing advisory opinions. It was decided to proceed with the proposed revisions to the statute and to have them ready by October of this year. Ms. Heeney will put all of the proposed revisions into one document for review at the next meeting.

Amar Sonar: Update on the Status of his Credentials Evaluation

The Board reviewed the revised credentials evaluation from FSBPT for Amar Sonar. According to the credentials re-evaluation dated January 12, 2012, Mr. Sonar's education is not substantially equivalent to physical therapy assistant education in the United States. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to send a letter to Mr. Sonar asking that he advise the Board how he wishes to proceed with his application, either to continue with the hearing or to withdraw his application. The motion was unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Application by Examination

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to ratify licensure by examination for the following persons:

Casey Cooper (AT)
Jennifer Nightengale (PTA)
Payal Patel (PT)
Yvonne Cipressi (PT)
Jeffery Falini, Jr. (PT)
Rod Delgado (PT)
Marria Illiano (PT)
Agnes Sampayan (PT)
Liza Lamelza (PT)
Raymond Facciolo (PT)
Narciso Sardual, Jr. (PT)
Corey Lopez (AT)
Katherine Reyes (PT)
James Dolinger (AT)
Shari Wagner (AT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Applications by Reciprocity

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to ratify licensure by reciprocity for the following persons:

Joseph Luther (AT)
Jeffrey Vari (PT)
Ambika Patel (PT)
Allison Palaio (PT)
Lauren McMillon (AT)
Mellissa Higgins (PT)
Alex Eberspacher (PTA)
Arianne Missimer (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Application by Examination

The Board reviewed the application of Michelle Hamm for licensure as a physical therapist by examination. Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve Ms. Hamm's request for special exam accommodations. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Application by Reinstatement

The Board reviewed the application of Jamie Episcopo for licensure as a physical therapy assistant by reinstatement. Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to approve Ms. Episcopo's application for reinstatement. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Exam Scores

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, to recognize examination results for the following persons:

Hilary Webb (PTA)
Robert Tolson (PTA)
Vilma Torres (PTA)
Rellie Bansil (PT)
Paul Cumigad (PT)
Joseph Apelo (PT)
Karina Salazar-Desantores (PT)
Maria Medilo (PT)
Eduardo Veloso (PT)
Hanz Reynado (PT)
Odexa Frogoso (PT)
Mary Gajardo (PT)
Maryannina Aquino (PT)
Kathleen Estrella (PT)
Oliver Lopez (PT)
Mary Grace Acosta (PT)
Kristin Abequibel (PT)
Joi Mae Gubalane (PT)
Dennis Lim (PT)

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Rosalyn Buscano (PT)
Dave Woo (PT)
Mary Grace Rimando (PT)
Hilde Maagad (PT)
Violeta Sescon (PT)
Melissa Gavin (PT)
Joseph Sarmiento (PT)
Erin Stratton (PT)
Julie Ann Igual (PT)
Alona Mae Lanoy-Hyde (PT)
Arvin Dones (PT)
James Demaisip (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Courses

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to approve the following continuing education courses:

University of Delaware and others

Inclusion: It Should Just Be How We Roll - .5 CEUs

PESI HealthCare

Cognitive-communication Deficits: Assessment & Treatment of Neurological Impairments - .625 CEUs

The Bagful of Pills: A Practical Approach to Geriatric Pharmacotherapy – .625 CEUs

Education Resources, Inc.

Vestibular Rehabilitation: Treatment Intensive – 1.4 CEUs

Torticollis: Effective Treatment of Infants and Children – 1.5 CEUs

Dynamic Learning Online, Inc.

The ABC's of Wheelchair and Positioning: Assessment, Body Alignment and Comfort – .83 CEU

Cardiovascular Disease and Mobility - .15 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Evaluation and Certification - .15 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Coding Clean Claims - .15 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Goal Writing - .75 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Daily Notes and Progress Notes - .175 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Understanding Medical Necessity - .175 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Writing a Successful HEP and Restorative Program - .175 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Discharge Summaries - .75 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Navigating the Denial and Appeals Process – .75 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Medicare Part A in SNF's - .15 CEUs

Documentation Essentials: Compliance, QA and Audits - .75 CEUs

End of Life Issues: A Guide for the HealthCare Professional - .6 CEUs

Ethical Issues and Decision Making for Rehab Professionals - .4 CEUs

H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-01: UE Anatomy with Emphasis on Intrinsics - .15 CEUs

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H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-02: Evaluation of the UE - .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-03: Physical Agent Modalities for UE Problems - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-04: Upper Extremity Wounds – .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-05: Neuroanatomy for the Upper Extremity - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-06: Evaluation & Treatment of the Shoulder – .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-07: Evaluation & Treatment of the Elbow - .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-08: Evaluation and Treatment of the Wrist – .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-09: Fractures of the Upper Extremity - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 1-10: Dupuytren's Contractures – .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-01 Cumulative Trauma - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-02 Burn Rehabilitation - .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-03 Tendons: Injury and Intervention - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-04 Arthritis - .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-05 Splinting - .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-06 Stiff Hand - .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-07 Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) – .15 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:-08 Traumatic Hand Injuries and Prosthetics – .75 CEUs
H & UE Rehab: The Essentials, Part 2:09 Ergonomics - .15 CEUs
HIV/AIDS-Update Course-1 hour - .75 CEUs
HIV/AIDS-Update Course-3 hours - .25 CEUs
Home Mod for People with Dementia - .15 CEUs
Home Mod for People Who are at Risk of Falls - .175 CEUs
Home Mod for People with Sensory Impairments - .2 CEUs
Home Mod for People with Motor Impairments - .2 CEUs
Patellofemoral Syndrome: A Review of Pathology and Current Trends in Non-Operative Therapy - .48 CEUs
Spine Stabilization Progressions and Considerations for the Aging Adult – .275 CEUs
Treating the Patient with Hemiplegic Shoulder Pain – .95 CEUs
Water Exercise Technology: Introduction to the Principles of Aquatic Exercise and Rehabilitation – .75 CEUs
Intervention Strategies for Reducing Medical Errors - .15 CEUs

Arcadia University Physical Therapy Department Alumni Association

Differential Diagnosis and Manual Therapy for Lumbo-pelvic and Lower Extremity Movement Impairments – 1 CEU

Rebecca Woodzell – Care2Learn.com

Spasticity: Electric Treatment Approaches - .2 CEUs

Parkinson's Disease: Practice Guidelines - .4 CEUs

Abuse and Neglect of the Elderly - .2 CEUs

Collen O'Connor – Great Lakes Seminars

Treatment of the Lumbar Complex – 1.45 CEUs

Sarah Reinhold – Fox Geri

Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Function in Older Adults - .7 CEUs

Evidence in Motion

Management of Lower Extremity Disorders – 2.4 CEUs

Mollianne Carter – Bayhealth Medical Center

NDT for Nurses - .75 CEUs

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Recommendation of Hearing Officer from Rule to Show Cause Hearing Held for Christopher Holland

The Board reviewed and discussed the hearing officer's recommendation regarding the rule to show cause hearing held for Christopher Holland. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Mr. Woodzell, that the Board accepts the recommendation of the hearing officer and the Board approves the hearing officer's recommendation that no disciplinary action be taken against Mr. Holland. The motion was unanimously carried.

Discussion: Letter from FSBPT Regarding the Board's Acceptance of FSBPT Certification of Continuing Competence Activities

The Board reviewed the letter from FSBPT regarding the Board's acceptance of FSBPT certification of continuing competence activities. FSBPT requested clarification of the Board's rules with respect to whether the Board will recognize FSBPT certification of physical therapy continuing competence courses and activities. Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles to respond to FSBPT advising that the Board will recognize FSBPT certification of physical therapy continuing competence course and activities as per the rules and regulations. The motion was unanimously carried.

Election of Officers

Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, that the current officers remain the same for another year. The motion was unanimously carried. The current officers are Ms. Schmitt as Chairperson, Mr. Woodzell as Vice-Chairperson and Ms. Knowles as Secretary.

Review of Request from Christopher Martinez Requesting Reinstatement of his Physical Therapy License

The Board reviewed the request from Christopher Martinez for reinstatement of his physical therapy license. Ms. Blansfield made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to approve Mr. Martinez's request for reinstatement. The motion was unanimously carried.

Status of Complaint

Complaint No. 14-01-1 – Closed

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

Ms. Knowles asked if the current meeting time was a good time for everyone or if there was a better time to hold the Board meetings. Board members indicated that the current meeting time is good for them.

Ms. Schmitt reported on some of the problems that students had encountered when applying to sit for the physical therapy exam. She also reported that the University of Delaware is investigating a new dual degree. She will obtain more information so the Board can discuss if it needs to consider revising the statute or rules and regulations. Ms. Schmitt also informed the Board that there is a movement in process from the Private Practice Section of the APTA to develop year long internships. There would be a period of time as a student and a period of time licensed. She will update the Board as she hears of any developments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

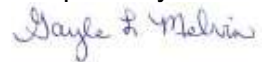
NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gayle L. Melvin
Administrative Specialist III